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**DUE DILIGENCE REVIEW** of Boeing de Havilland by officials representing potential buyers Aerospatiale and Aeritalia began the week of Aug. 20 and is expected to continue for several more weeks. Announcement of a final agreement by early October is possible, but not considered likely.

**PAGE AVJET** is engaged in discussions with Triton Air Holdings about the acquisition of Triton's Hughes Aviation Services FBO at McCarran International Airport in Las Vegas, Nev. Page previously announced signing of a definitive agreement to acquire Van Dusen Airport Services' chain of 13 FBOs.

**NATIONAL AVERAGE PRICE** for 100LL Avgas was up to \$2 per gallon by the end of August, a 10-cents-per-gallon increase since June, according to a survey conducted by the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. Alaska and the Northeast regions reported the highest current average prices of \$2.09 and \$2.06 per gallon, respectively. Southwest and Central regions reported the low prices with \$1.98 and \$1.97 per gallon, respectively. AOPA, which had surveyed fixed-base operators across the country quarterly, said it intends to gather information on a monthly basis until the Middle East situation is resolved.

**ALSO FOLLOWING FUEL TRENDS** are members of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee who have asked the General Accounting Office to prepare a report on the increases. Sens. Ernest Hollings (D-S.C.), committee chairman, and Richard Bryan (D-Nev.), chairman of the consumer subcommittee, specifically sought details on the rates of increases in fuel prices worldwide, the effect of the commodities market on pricing, the relationship between dealers and refiners and the impact of the increases on other industries. Committee requested that GAO present its findings within 30 days.

## **SENIOR FAA EXECUTIVES OPT FOR INSTANT RETIREMENT TO AVOID BENEFIT CHANGES**

Number of employees retiring last month from FAA was more than double the normal rate and included several of the agency's most senior executives. Although final figures will not be available until some time this week, as of last Thursday approximately 300 FAA employees had submitted their retirement papers during August. FAA spokesmen said that on average about 140 agency employees retire in a given month. Although the approximately 300 retirees last month represents less than one-tenth of one percent of FAA's 50,000-person work force, the latest round of retirements took a heavy toll in top management ranks, including three of the agency's five executive directors.

Most prominent of those for whom last Friday was the last day on the job was Robert E. Whittington, executive director for policy, plans and resource management. A 35-year veteran of FAA, Whittington is a former air traffic controller who previously was deputy administrator and served as acting administrator for extended periods on several occasions when the administrator's post was vacant. Two other executive directors, Edwin S. Harris, who had responsibility for systems operations – including air traffic – and Wayne J. Barlow, who was responsible for regulatory standards and compliance, also retired. In addition, directors of two FAA regions – Jerold Chavkin, head of the Western-Pacific Region, and Don T. Watson, director of the Southwest, also retired. Another who retired is David Johnson, director of FAA's National Air Space Transition and Implementation Service.

A significant number of those retiring, perhaps as many as half, are involved in operation of FAA's air

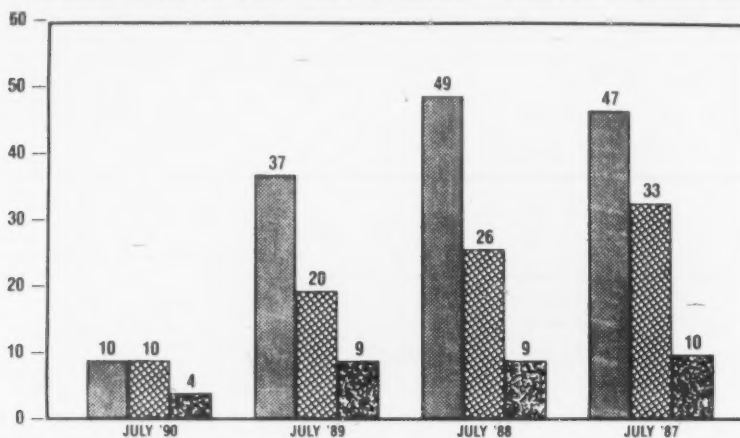
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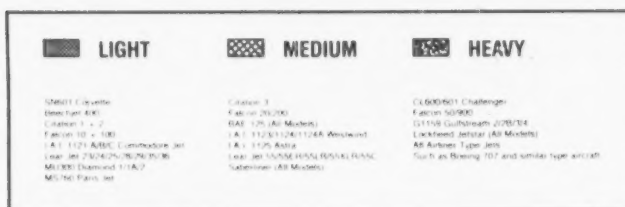


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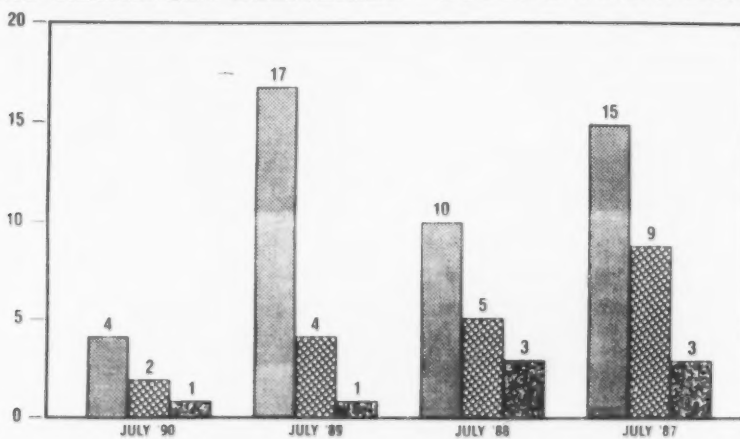
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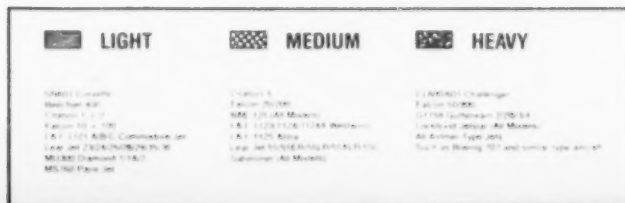
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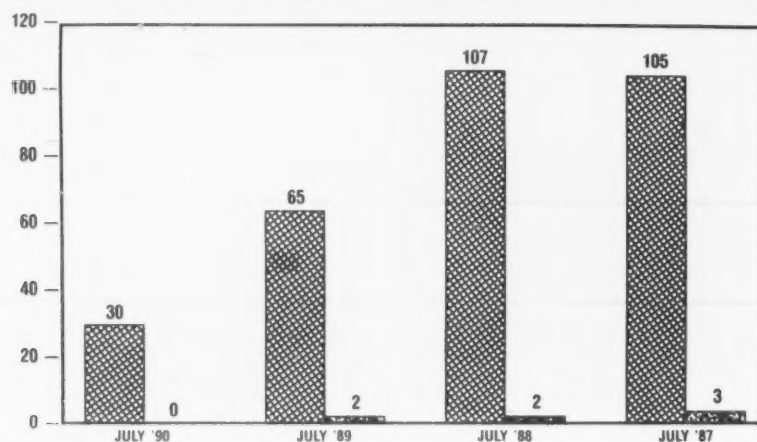


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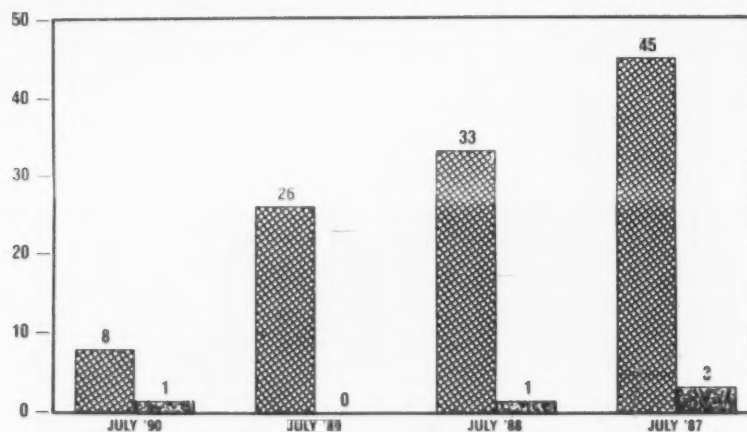
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